

## Why do bad things happen to good people?

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**A public seminar by the Wellington Abrahamic Council of Jews, Christians, and Muslims - all welcome, but [free or koha] tickets essential.**

**When** Tuesday 7 May 2024, 7:00 pm  
**Where** Myers Hall, Wellington Jewish Community Centre  
80 Webb St  
Wellington

### **Paul Morris (Jewish)**

Paul is emeritus [professor of Religious studies](#) at Victoria university. He wrote the National Statement on Religious Diversity. He is member of the *Wellington Jewish Community Centre*.

### **Neil Vaney (Christian)**

#### **Speakers**

Neil is a Catholic priest of the Marist order, ordained in 1969. He has been a university chaplain, lecturer, writer and [spiritual director](#). His doctorate was in environmental ethics and the theology of nature.

### **Tahir Nawaz (Muslim)**

Tahir is a senior analyst of Muslim affairs. He has been involved in community service as the President of the International Muslim Associations of New Zealand (IMAN). He is Chairperson of [Deen Welfare Trust](#), which provides social services to migrant communities.

### **Maya Bernardo**

#### **Chair**

From Manila in the Philippines but now based in Wellington, Maya worked in tertiary education for 26 years as a lecturer, researcher and manager. She currently works for the Archdiocese of Wellington as [Launch Out](#) Formator and Manager.

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This question, and the answers given in our religious traditions, have framed what is often referred to the problem of evil, or [theodicy](#), and of the meaning of justice. These religious and spiritual responses have generated profound reflections concerning the uncertainties of religious experience and human existence.

In modern times, for some, the answer to this question has been the gateway out of religious belief, for others it has served to reinforce belief and religious commitment. It remains one of the significant questions facing us as human beings.

**Tickets are mandatory to attend. Get your (free or koha) ticket at:**

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